Year End Review

Bonnie Paulsen, Public Health Administrator December 15, 2015





Monthly Meetings

January

- Reviewed duties of the Advisory Board of Health and administered Oaths of Office to new Board Members Joe Lawless.
- 2015 Bylaws, Rules of Procedure, Meeting Schedule, Work Plan and 2014 annual Report were reviewed and approved by the Board.
- Review 2015 Public Health Budget
- Bloomington Health and Wellness Award Timeline

February

- Jamie Verbrugge, Bloomington's new City Manager meet the Board.
- Reviewed duties of the Advisory Board of Health and administered Oaths of Office to new Board Members Joshua Korthouse and Sharon Mills.

Monthly Meetings

- March
 - Joint Bloomington, Edina, Richfield meeting
 - 2014 accomplishments, accreditation and discussion on working closer together on health issues
- April
 - Reviewed duties of the Advisory Board of Health and administered
 Oaths of Office to new Board Members Corinne Ellingham.
 - Discussed nominations for the 2015 Health and Wellness Award
- May
 - The Board discussed the 2015 Health & Wellness Award, which is now scheduled to be presented to the award recipient at the City Council meeting on June 22, 2015.

Monthly Meetings

- September
 - Nick Kelley, former Member, was introduced to the Board as Bloomington Public Health's new Assistant Administrator.
- October
 - Reviewed duties of the Advisory Board of Health and administered
 Oaths of Office to new Board Members Satbir Brar.
 - The Board carried a discussion regarding its role and the action(s) it can take pertaining to important community health issues.
 - Sharon Mills discussed the Community Health Conference
- November
 - The Board was informed that all documents have been submitted for accreditation.

January

• Lynn Moore, Environmental Health Manager, presented information on the 2014 Food Safety Awards and the 2014 Award winners were selected by the Board.

February

- Nancy Blankfard of HGA Architects and Engineers reviewed the results
 of the needs assessment conducted for the proposed Community
 Center, as well as concepts for the new building based on this
 assessment.
- Jim Jansen, Health Promotion Specialist, shared data pertaining to alcohol and tobacco compliance checks and discussed how this data compares to the results of the 2013 MN Student Survey.

- April
 - Emergency Preparedness updates were provided by:
 - Ulie Seal, Bloomington Fire Chief
 - Denis Otterness, Bloomington Deputy Chief of Police
 - Jeff Lanenberg, Allina/EMS Operations Manager
 - Joel Nelson, Bloomington Public Health Emergency Preparedness Specialist
 - Karen Stanley, Disease Prevention/Clinic Services Manager, provided the Board with a flu season update.
- May
 - Molly Snuggerud, Family Health Manager, gave a presentation to the Board regarding the services of public health nurses, including intensive home visiting and the Help Me Grow and Follow Along Programs.
 - Elham Ashkar, SHIP Coordinator, gave an update on the SHIP 4.0 Grant application, which is anticipated later this spring/summer.

June

- Diann Kirby, Community Services Director, provided a progress report on the Bloomington Community Center needs assessment evaluation.
- Susan Palchick, Hennepin County Public Health Director, reported on the Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP) Steering Committee and Action Teams.
- Amanda Nagy, Bloomington Health Planner, provided an update on the Public Health Accreditation process that will allow the division to obtain national accreditation status.

September

- Lynn Moore, Environmental Health Manager, and Shannon Rohr, Environmental Health Program Coordinator, presented on foodborne illness complaints; food, pools and lodging updates; and collaboration between the Public Health and Environmental Health Divisions.
- Joel Nelson, Emergency Preparedness Specialist, provided a summary of June's multi-jurisdictional full-scale emergency preparedness exercise.
- Eileen O'Connell, Health Promotion and Planning Manager, updated the Board on the SHIP 4.0 Grant recently awarded to Bloomington Public Health
- Molly Snuggerud, Family Health Manager, gave a presentation on senior health services.

October

- Nick Kelley, Assistant Public Health Administrator, provided the Board with the City of Bloomington's Nutrition and Tobacco Policies.
- Karen Stanley, Disease Prevention & Control and Clinic Manager at Bloomington Public Health discussed accomplishments of the WIC, Peer Breastfeeding and SAGE Programs.

November

- Emergency Preparedness updates were provided by:
 - Ulie Seal, Bloomington Fire Chief
 - Denis Otterness, Bloomington Deputy Chief of Police
 - Jeff Lanenberg, Allina/EMS Operations Manager
 - Joel Nelson, Bloomington Public Health Emergency Preparedness Specialist
 - Rick Kaufman, Executive Director of Community Relations/Emergency
 Management for ISD#271

Pearl of the Month

January

 David Drummond, Board Member, discussed the effects of stress, past and present for the "Pearl of the Month" contribution.

February

 Joe Lawless, Board Member, discussed information on carbon monoxide and other safety issues in the home as a public health "Pearl of the Month" contribution.

April

 Joshua Korthouse, Board Member, discussed the benefits of organ and tissue donation for the "Pearl of the Month" contribution.

May

 Nick Kelley, Board Member, gave a presentation on Avian Influenza in the United States as the "Pearl of the Month" contribution.

Pearl of the Month

- June
 - Sharon Mills, Board Member, gave a presentation on the Bloomington Police Chaplain Program as the "Pearl of the Month" contribution.
- September
- October
- November
 - Satbir Brar, Board Member, gave a presentation on dental amalgam as the "Pearl of the Month" contribution.

Accomplishments 2015

- Metro Alliance for Health Families America became accredited
- PHABER submitted documents for accreditation on Nov 18th
- Grants received or renewed:
 - WIC, Peer Breastfeeding, SHIP 4, Ebola, MIECHV, SNAP ED, HSSC
- Many new staff joined Bloomington Public Health in 2015
- Staff presented at three conferences
- Staff participated in a full scale MCM exercise in June and attended PH Incident Leadership Training
- Working on internalizing equity with staff trainings
- Worked to update city ordnance on medical marijuana
- Updated financial system, electronic time cards, electronic travel request, and new cashier processes
- Working to increase the use of PH-DOC
- Developed a new electronic annual training form, updated new staff orientation, updated policy and procedure book
- QI Council and PM Council both had major updates

2016 Goals

- Finish the Accreditation process
- A Full scale emergency preparedness exercise will be held in March
- Develop ways to improve community engagement based on training on health and racial equity and how it relates to our MCH and Senior health work
- Hire a Public Health Nurse, EP specialist, Peer counselors, & support staff
- Work on becoming a Breastfeeding Friendly Public Health department;
 move the Breastfeeding policy for City employees forward
- Continue to look for and write grants related to support agency goals
- Have all managers carry a City cell phone for connection with their staff
- Work on sharing program area budgets; work with staff to increase their knowledge around budgeting
- Develop and implement a division based plan for public health data use and analysis
- Strengthen the use of performance management and quality improvement